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Dear Law Student:

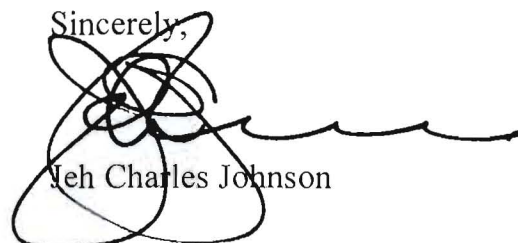
For those of you considering summer jobs in the public sector, I write to encourage you to apply to work for the General Counsel of the Department of Defense.

As the senior legal officer of the Defense Department, I and the other attorneys on my staff are involved in the most demanding and noteworthy national security legal issues in the post-9/11 world. On a daily basis, we deal with such things as the detainees at Guantanamo Bay, military commissions, the legal contours of our current armed conflicts, arms control agreements, the environment, international law, "space law," "cyber law," fiscal law, defense procurement, military and civilian ethics and personnel issues, Don't Ask Don't Tell, the drafting of legislation, and our intelligence collection efforts. In these matters, I am also fortunate to work closely with some of the best lawyers in the country who have chosen to join the Obama Administration with me, in the White House Counsel's office, the National Security staff, the Justice Department, the State Department, the intelligence community and elsewhere in government. Each year, our summer interns contribute substantively to this interesting and important work.

As a summer intern within this office, you will have the opportunity to develop a background in national security and defense, while we have an opportunity to groom and develop future legal talent for this important area of our government.

For myself, I know the choice you must make between a summer experience in the private and public sectors. I have spent much of my legal career as an associate and then partner in a large New York law firm, and have chosen to pursue a career that is a blend of public service and private law practice. In this time of great domestic and international challenges, we need bright and energetic law students to gain exposure to public service in Washington. I hope you will consider joining us. Additional information about the summer internship program in my office is available on our website, <http://www.dod.gov/dodgc/contact.html> . You may also contact Ms. Christine Haynes by phone at (703) 571-2668, or by e-mail at summerlawinterns@osd.mil.

Sincerely,



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